





Docket No.: 44239-069

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yuusuke NAKANO

Serial No.: 09/589,109

Filed: June 08, 2000

: Group Art Unit: 2721

: Examiner: To Be Assigned

For:

IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH IMAGE PROCESSING PROGRAM TO PROCESS IMAGE TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION DIFFERENCE IN IMAGE PICKUP CONDITION USING

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Noting the Office Action of May 20, 2003 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect Species I, to Figure 8 (claims 1-5, 10 and 11) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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